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Columbus Police Conduct Operation Mind Your Manors

On Tuesday, October 4, 2022, the Columbus Division of Police, along with assistance from the ATF Task Force, and the Franklin County Sheriff's Office, began Operation Mind Your Manors (spelled purposefully that way in reference to a carry-out the gang members frequented). The operation, which concluded on Tuesday, October 11, 2022, was the culmination of an 18-month long investigation into the BL-800 (Bantu Life) criminal street gang, whose members were responsible for many violent crimes on the west side of Columbus.

13 members of the BL-800 gang were arrested after being indicted on 84 state felony charges, ranging from receiving stolen property to murder. A complete list of the arrestees and the charges they are facing is attached to this media release.

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BL-800 Gang

Name:	DOB	Photo	Charges	Priors
Abdi Bakar Abdi	12/29/2002	9	Participation in Criminal Gang, Fail to Comply X2, RSP X3, Theft X2, WUD.	Agg. Menacing, Domestic Violence, Agg. Robbery, Kidnapping.
Abdi D. Hussein	4/9/2003		Participation in Criminal Gang, RSP, Improper Handling of Firearm, Obstructing, WUD.	RSP.
Abdikadir Bilal	8/29/1999		Participation in Criminal Gang, Possession of Drugs, Fel Assault X3	Domestic Violence, Assault, Fel. Assault, Agg. Robbery, RSP.
Abdullahi Abdikadir	12/11/2002	9	Participation in Criminal Gang, RSP X10, Theft X6, Improper Handling of Firearm X2, Tampering with Evidence.	RSP, Identity Theft, Theft
Abukar Yakub	5/22/2001		Participation in Criminal Gang, Fel. Assault, RSP X3, Improper Handling of Firearm #2, WUD X2, Tampering with Evidence X2.	RSP, Fel. Assault, Poss. Of Drugs, Weapons under Disability,
Aden Abdullahi	5/9/2003		Participation in Criminal Gang, RSP X5, Theft X3.	RSP, Poss. Of Drugs, Theft.
Aden O. Abdi	1/1/1995		Participation in Criminal Gang, Trafficking in Drugs, Possession of Drugs.	RSP, Domestic Violence, Assault, Poss. Of Drugs. Multi State Offender.
Benjamin Face	10/21/1999		Participation in Criminal Gang, Trafficking in Drugs.	Assault, RSP, Poss. Of Drugs, Discharging Firearm, Resisting Arrest, Forgery. Multi State Offender
Elijah Goolsby	3/30/1995		Participation in Criminal Gang, Possession of Drugs X4, Improper Handling, WUD X4.	Improper Handling of Firearm, Domestic Violence, Theft, Assault, Possession of Drugs.
Hussein Bilal	8/7/2001	9	Participation in Criminal Gang, Agg Robbery X2, Murder	Assault, CCW, Improper Transport of Firearm, RSP, Robbery. Mulit State Offender
Hussein Abdi	12/19/2002		Participation in Criminal Gang, Trafficking in Drugs X3, Possession of Drugs X5, Failure to Comply X2, WUD X6, Obstructing, Tampering with Evidence.	
Omar Ali Aden	3/8/2000		Participation in Criminal Gang, Improper Handling of Firearm, Trafficking in Drugs.	Improper transport of firearm, RSP, Burglary, RSP - Firearm. Multi state offender.
Omar Kalonga	1/1/2001		Participation in Criminal Gang, WUD X2.	